*Dumbe shew.*

*Enter at one doore* Pericles *talking with* Cleon, *all the Traine with them: Enter at another doore, a Gentleman with a letter to* Pericles; Pericles *shewes the letter to* Cleon; Pericles *giues the Messenger a reward, and Knights him.*

*Exit* Pericles *at one doore, and* Cleon *at an other.*

Good *Hellican* that stayde at home,
Not to eate hony like a Drone,
From others labours; for though he striue
To killen bad, keepe good aliue:
And to fulfill his Prince desire,
Sau'd one of all that happes in *Tyre*:
How *Thaliard* came full bent with sinne,
And hid intent to murder him;
And that in *Tharsis* was not best,
Longer for him to make his rest:
He doing so, put foorth ro Seas;
Where when men been, there's seldome ease,
For now the winde begins to blow,
Thunder aboue, and deepes below,
Makes such vnquiet, that the ship,
Should house him safe, is wrackt and split,
And he (good Prince) hauing all lost,
By waues, from coast to coast is tost:
All perishen of man of pelfe,
Ne ought escapen'd but himselfe;
Till fortune tyr'd with doing bad,
Threw him a shore to giue him glad:
And heere he comes: what shall be next,
Pardon old *Gower*, this long's the text.

*Enter Pericles wet.*

*Per.* Yet cease your ire, you angry Starres of heauen,
Wind, Rayne, and Thunder: remember earthly man
Is but a substance that must yeeld to you:
And I (as fits my nature) doe obey you.

Alasse,



Alasse, the Seas hath cast me on the Rockes,
Washt me from shore to shore, and left my breath
Nothing to thinke on, but ensuing death:
Let it suffize the greatnes of your powers,
To haue bereft a Prince of all his fortunes;
And hauing throwne him from your watry graue,
Here to haue death in peace, is all hee'le craue.

*Enter three Fisher-men.*

1. What, to pelch?
2. Ha, come and bring away the Nets.
1. What Patch-breech, I say.
3. What say you, Master?
1. Looke how thou stirr'st now:
Come away, or Ile fetch'th with a wanion.
3. Faith Master, I am thinking of the poore men
That were cast away before vs, euen now.
1. Alasse, poore soules, it grieued my heart to heare
What pittifull cryes they made to vs, to helpe them,
When (welladay) we could scarce helpe our selues.
3. Nay Master, sayd not I as much,
When I saw the Porpas, how he bounst and tumbled?
They say, they are halfe fish, halfe flesh:
A plague on thē, they were come but I looke to be washt.
Master, I maruell how the fishes liue in the Sea?
1. Why, as men doe a land,
The great ones eate vp the little ones:
I can compare our rich Misers, to nothing so fitly
As to a Whale; a playes and tumbles,
Driuing the poore Fry before him,
And at last deuoure them all at a mouthfull.
Such Whales haue I heard on a'th land,
Who neuer leaue gaping, till they swallowed
The whole Parish, Church, Steeple, Belles and all.
*Per.* A pretty Morrall.
3. But Master, if I had beene the Sexton,
I would haue beene that day in the Belfrie.
2. Why, man?

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